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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Serial Nos. four only

Part B for May 1942.

SUBJECT.

Interpellations, Representations & Resolutions at the R. A. Sessions of June 1942.

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The Indian Express 14th January 42

A. R. P. Measures In Sind

Slit Trenches & Safety Rooms In Public Buildings

KARACHI, Jan. 12.

The construction of slit trenches, the provision of safety rooms in public buildings, the expansion of municipal fire-brigade and the singking of tube wells to meet an emergency in the event of an air-raid are among the measures being taken by the Sind Government, announces an official communique issued this evening on the subject.

The communique adds that the effect of developments in the international situation had been engaging the close attention of the authorities and the Government would urge on the citizens the need for immediate action for the protection of their homes and families.

Warning the public against rumours which were likely to tend to cause panic the communique said that while there would be no immediate danger to Karachi, still it was essential that preparations be made well in advance and that the public should know exactly what to do in an emergency. Besides the above intensive A.R.P. training, first-aid posts and parties had been organised and in addition to arrangements made in various hospitals two casualty clearing hospitals fully equipped for use at short notice had been opened with a provision for 225 beds.

Concluding, the communique details the duties of the civic guards and expresses the hope that the general public would be guided by them in carrying out measures which the Government were preparing.

Submitted for perusal

Chief Secy) 15.1.42

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Law Minister) 16/1/42

Copy may be obtained. 16/1/42

Perhaps Govt of India Press Communique in full

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The Same matter is published in the Times of India of the 14th. If approved the Dr. of Information, Sind, may be requested to send a Copy of for our reference

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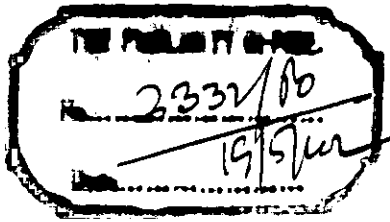

GOVERNMENT OF SIND

No. 263 I of 1942
Department of informat
Karachi, 14th May 1942.

From

M.A.Sayyid, Esq., B.A.(Hons.)(Oxon.), M.A., LL.B.(Bom.), J.P.,
Director of Information, Sind, Karachi.

To

The Publicity Officer to the Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 19th January 1942, copy of Press Note No.P-89, dated the 24th March 1942 regarding A.R.P. measures taken by the Sind Government, is enclosed.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M A Sayyid.

DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION, SIND

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ROUTINE NOTES

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record.]

(1) actly with thanks

N. B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

ourd. for Kind perusal with reference to the Home Minister's orders dated 17-1-42.

19/5/42, Chief Secretary

Home Minister)

(2) Sent to H.P.

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Two Dfts. are put up for Kind approval.

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WD 078—GPB—30,000—25-7-40

On the outbreak of the war a special A.R.P. Officer was appointed by the Government of Sind to draw up a scheme for Karachi and other vulnerable cities and to recruit and train personnel. As the war developed and the need for air raid precautions became more necessary the special Officer was given extra staff and an A.R.P. Officer was appointed for Sukkur. Valuable equipment has been supplied by the Central Government, an up-to-date A.R.P. School has been established, fire-fighting units have been purchased, protective work has been done, sirens fitted and lighting restrictions have been applied in Karachi and Sukkur and Rohri involving an expenditure of 2½ lakhs. In addition to the A.R.P. services, a Volunteer body known as the Civic Guard has been formed in the towns of Karachi, Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana. Recruiting has been vigoursly carried on in Karachi City where the strength of this force is approximately 500.

2/- With the development of the war both in the West and in the Far East the need for more vigourous Civil Defence measures has been evident and Government have made a provision of over 10 lakhs under the head "Civil Defence" during the year 1942-43. It is not, however, anticipated that this expenditure will be sufficient but Government desire to explain that within this amount provision has been made for

(a) Air Raid Shelters
(b) the protection of public utility services
(c) a sub-soil fire-fighting scheme, and,
(d) Air Raid precaution measures in Sukkur.

3/- Protection for those members of the public who may be caught in the streets or away from their homes during an air raid has received the careful consideration of Government and 29 public buildings are being converted into air raid shelters in addition to which 71,000 running feet of slit trenches will be dug in more congested parts of the City. It is not the intention of Government to provide air raid shelters in the sparsely populated residential areas where adequate protection can usually be made at little expense. Nor do Government consider it necessary to provide at their expense shelters for the large number of people engaged in business who are occupying the more substantial buildings in the City. In fact Government intend to make it compulsory for the land lords and the heads of business houses to provide shelter for their tenants and their staffs and in the event of non-compliance they will undertake the work at the expense of the persons concerned. Advice on the measures to be taken will at all times be given by their Officers. If these measures are adopted without delay Government are assured that there will be sufficient protection for every one in the event of an air raid.

4/- It is well known that a hostile attack will probably result in a large number of fires and in order to meet this danger the Municipal Fire Brigade has been supplemented by the Auxiliary Fire Service which by the end of this month will consist of not less than 9 modern fire-fighting units. In conjunction with the Fire Services Government have undertaken a scheme for the sinking of 127 wells and for the construction of 21 storage tanks in order to provide an adequate supply of water for fir -fighting independent of the Municipal piped supply.

5/- In addition equipment has been purchased and buildings have been selected as Emergency Hospitals for the treatment and accommodation of those persons injured in an air raid. The extra accommodation so far provided is for 500 beds.

6/ But Government realise that further expenditure is essential for other Civil Defence measures during the coming year and propose to purchase equipment for street fire parties in addition to..

to a large number of sandbags. A Fire Fighting order is being issued which places on every householder the responsibility of maintaining in his house one partially filled sandbag and two receptacles of water as protection against incendiary bombs. The sandbags will in a short time be distributed to the public.

7/- Extra Hospital accommodation is being arranged without any delay for a further 500 beds in the City and for 300 beds outside Karachi, while Emergency Rest Centres are being established in all parts of the City where those persons who have been rendered homeless owing to a hostile attack will be able to obtain, shelter, food and water until they are able to find their friends or relations. Adequate provision for 43,000 refugees and evacuees is also being made in the shape of housing and food. In order to render assistance to the regular police and to the public in the event of a hostile attack Government have decided to increase the number of Civic Guards in Karachi to 1000 and recruitment is proceeding.

8/- The protection of the essential services is a matter to which Government have given their earnest attention and they have decided to afford protection for all essential workers and their families in suitable places away from the probable danger area. For this purpose temporary accommodation is being made at the cost of Government. The conservation of water and arrangements for an alternate supply are under consideration while the control of rents outside Karachi will be the subject of a special order in the near future.

9/- The above is the brief survey of the activities of Government in the field of Civil Defence.

9 1816 Resolution No 38. S.N.M. Rajvi.
W 2164/W Central Advisory Committee A.R.P. Non-official.

General and Revenue Secretariat | W File No. 42 of 1941. | [App. F. III—2

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There is already a Central Advisory Committee Consisting of officials in connection with A.R.P. measures for the State. The present Resolution recommends the constitution of a Committee of Non officials selected from all over the State to supervise A.R.P. activities. The Chief Secy may perhaps be in charge of the Resolution. The discussion may be watched.

Copy of file to Finance Dept

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The D.A.S. may be requested to furnish a note explaining the provisions in the enclosure

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SECRETARY 6 MAY 1942 GOVT. OF MYSORE

Law Secy 8/5

Chief Secy 9/5

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR LAW MAY 30 1942 No.

Law Secy 11/5

(RS) 11/5

Submitted with a letter to the I.G.P. 16/5

Issued No. 2879/W dt 11.5.42 to the I.G.P. from the Inspector General of Police.

A.R.P. 725/41-42, 27th May 42 re Central Advisory Committee of Non officials.

(RS) 28/5

Submitted for perusal. 28/5

Chief Secy

Law Secy 30/5

NOTE—Contd. Sheet. CHIEF SECRETARY 29 MAY 1942 GOVT OF MYSORE

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OFFICE OF MYSORE MAY-30-1942 No 12235

Mr Thirumurthi might be watched ... representative
... In Sirsi, a central Govt has been appointed for Civil Defence.
Please keep Press cutting about it
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2. The Publicity Officer for Civil Defence may kindly furnish us the Press cutting required to lay before the minister.
5/6 1/6. The Cutting of the "Hindu" dtd 27-5-42 on the subject is put up for kind reference.
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Law Secy
Hindu dt 27-5-42 re Defence
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CHIEF SECRETARY 11 JUN 1942 GOVT. OF MYSORE

"The Herald"
dtd 27-5-42

ALL-PARTIES CONFERENCE AT KARACHI

KARACHI, May 26.

A proposal to mobilise various political bodies who are now organising the City's civil defence measures was considered at a conference of representatives of such bodies including the Muslim League and the Congress, convened by Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah, Home Minister, this morning.

It was suggested to form a committee consisting of four members representing various groups with Sir Ghulam Hussain as Chairman.

The representatives present at the conference were urged to discuss the subject with their respective parties.

THE CIVIL & MILITARY GAZETTE SUNDAY MAY 31 1942

BOMBAY CIVIL DEFENCE

Non-Official Committee to be Formed

BOMBAY, May 30.

It is understood that the Government of Bombay have replied to the Bombay Municipal Corporation's representation regarding the setting up of a committee of officials and non-officials to carry out certain specified duties of civil defence.

There has been some correspondence between the Corporation and the Government on the subject, and discussions took place between the representatives of the Corporation and the Government. It is learnt that these discussions have now reached finality and the Government have addressed a letter to the Corporation embodying the results of the discussions.

It is understood that the Government have proposed the appointment of a non-official committee, with the Mayor of Bombay as its chairman. It is further understood that the committee would be entrusted with certain specified civil defence activities covering a wide field.—A.P.

Submitted for kind
(Chief Secretary)
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CHIEF SECRETARY
3. JUN. 1942
BOMBAY

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War Secty)

Question No 162 - Mr. Khp Mr Khan Sha

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Serial No.

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Chief Sd

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OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR FINANCE & REVENUE 7 MAY 1942 No. 6801

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CHIEF ... 12. MAY 194 GOVT. OF MYSORE

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Chief Sd

20 R. A. Questions Serial No. copies of reply

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Question No 153. Mrs. Khaja Mohd Khaja Shariff

Kindly refer to the letter dated 15.9.95 regarding arrangements in Bangalore City. Para 3 deals with evacuation. The subsequent letter from the D.M Bldr gives a list of the places available within a radius of 30 miles from Bldr with a view to accommodate 2 lakhs of people.

A sum of Rs 10000/- has been placed at the disposal of the D.M of Dists for civil defence purposes and the D.M Bldr has placed Rs 5000/- out of Rs 10000/- at the disposal of the Sub Division officer for purchase of essential foodstuffs required for feeding the evacuees and Air Raid sufferers

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19th January 1942.

The Director of Information,
Sind Government,
K A R A C H I.

Sir,

I am directed to request you to be so good as to arrange to send me for the reference of this Government, a copy of the recent official communique issued regarding A.R.P. measures taken by the Sind Government.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Publicity Officer to Government.

To

The Director of
Information,
Sind,
Karachi.

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your letter No. 263.I dated 14th May 1942 enclosing a copy of Press Note No. P. 89. dated the 24th March 1942 regarding A. R. P. Measures taken by the Sind Govt. I have the

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Office of the Publicity Officer to the Government of Mysore,
Public Offices,

No. 3996/10

Bangalore, Dated, 22nd May 1942.

From M.S. SWAMINATHAN, Esq., M.A.,
~~CNARASIMHA MOORTY, Esq., M.A.,~~
Publicity Officer to the Government of Mysore.

To

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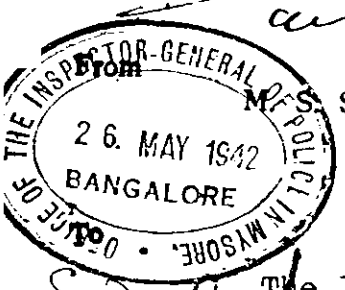

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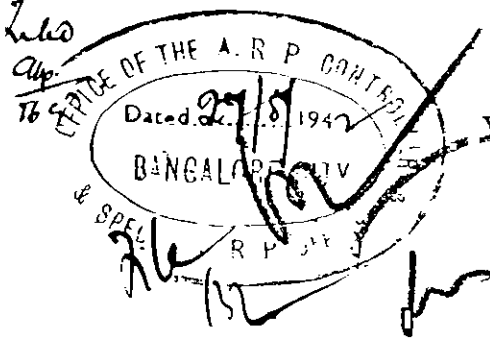

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M S Swaminathan

Publicity Officer
to Government.

Forwarded with Compliments to the Special A.R.P. Officer for Perusal & Return.

27/5/42.

for Inspector General of Police

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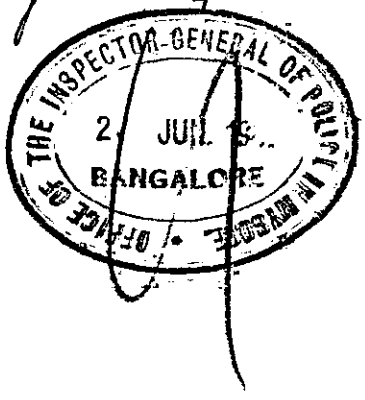

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REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Budget Session, June 1942.

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RESOLUTION No.38.

This assembly recommends to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore to constitute a Central Advisory Committee consisting of prominent non-officials selected from all over the State to supervise the A.R.P. activities throughout the State.

Mover:- Mr. S.N.M. Razvi,
(Bangalore City Mahomedan Urban)

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W.No.41/6

11th May 1942.

The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore.

I am directed to forward for your information a copy of Resolution No.38 moved by Mr.S.N.M.Razvi in the matter of constituting a Central Advisory Committee consisting of prominent non-officials etc., and to request you kindly to furnish a note on the subject, explaining the practice in the adjoining Provinces.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

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Tele {gram : " POLICE."
phone : 2108.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF THE
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE,

No. A.R.P.725/41-42.
Encl. /.

Bangalore, dated...27th May,.....1942

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FROM

The Inspector-General of Police in Mysore,
Bangalore.

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CHIEF SECRETARY
28 MAY 1942
GOVT. OF MYSORE.

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

BUDGET SESSION - Resolution No.38 by Mr. S.N.M.Razvi.

SIR

I have the honour to enclose for information of Government, a note on the resolution No.38, moved by Mr. S.N.M. Razvi, in the matter of constituting a Central Advisory Committee consisting of prominent non-officials.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

KVN.

INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE.

NOTE ON RESOLUTION No.38. - Mover Mr. S.N.M. Razvi.

Constitution of an A.R.P. Advisory Committee consisting of prominent non-officials:

Government in their order No.1394-1406 dated 29-12-1941, while constituting A.R.P. services in the State have constituted Central A.R.P. (Advisory) Committee, whose personnel consists of officers only except for the Scout Commissioner who is a non-official.

No Central Advisory Committee has been constituted in Bombay as per the intimation received from the A.R.P. Controller, Bombay.

The reply from the A.R.P. Controller, Madras, is awaited and the same will be forwarded on receipt.

COPY.

For Inspector General of Police.

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REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Budget Session, June 1942.

Question No. 162.

Mr. Khaja Mohamed Khader Sheriff,
(Bangalore City Mohammedan Urban).

Will the Government be pleased to state:

whether they propose to open temporary colonies in the neighbourhood of the city of Bangalore to afford shelter to such of the citizens of Bangalore who may not be able to find their own accommodation in case they have to quit the city on account of emergencies and if so, the number of such colonies and the probable distance from the city of Bangalore ?

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REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Budget Session - June 1942.

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Answer.

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~~The answer is in the affirmative.~~

Yes

For Chief Secretary to Government.